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Cc: Juan Solorio[juan.solorio@lacity.org]
From: Councilmember Rodriguez
Sent: Mon 3/4/2019 8:15:56 PM
Subject: Fwd: ALERT: community health and safety issue caused by trash.
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Hello [REDACTED]

Thank you for emailing my office. I am cc'ing Juan Solorio from my office to look into this matter. Juan can be reached at juan.solorio@lacity.org or calling my Sylmar office at 818-756-8409. Thank you again and have a nice day!

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Mon, Mar 4, 2019 at 10:56 AM
Subject: Fwd: ALERT: community health and safety issue caused by trash.
To: <Councilmember.Rodriguez@lacity.org>

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From: [REDACTED]
Date: Mon, Mar 4, 2019, 10:31 AM
Subject: ALERT: community health and safety issue caused by trash.
To: <alvan.arzu@lacity.org>

Morning Alvan,

I was given your email by Ray Wepprecht regarding the trash bins at the Sylmar Shopping center.

As you know there's a serious trash dumping and picking issue at the center. Currently the 26 trash bins on site with locking lids are not being maintained by the center. The 3 trash bins that are continuously locked have clean areas that don't allow for illegal trash dumping and picking.

Sylmar shopping center has a locking metal gate preventing access to the majority of the trash bins but it's never locked. Also, all the trash bins have lids with locks that are not all being locked!

The trash bins have maggots, rats, mice, cockroaches, flies, mosquitoes, wasps, and the homeless use the trash that blocks public Access. This hazardous filth is used by the homeless and it accumulates with their used syringes, human feces, urine, crack pipes and used condoms on our sidewalks and public areas. We, our children & families, elderly, disabled and veterans are exposed to it daily because it's our access routes to the stores, bus, and school.

This is a serious and dangerous community health issue that needs immediate attention. Please note picture of YumYum Donut's bin on site that's locked with zero problems! (Other than graffiti)

Immediate solution: enforcement and hold Sylmar shopping center accountable.

- All trash receptacles and dumpsters should have and use properly functioning locking lids.
- Trash should always be placed into dumpsters and compactors in sealed bags.
- Ensure trash is picked up frequently. Order increase in pick up schedule.
- Set up a regular cleaning rotation for trash cans, recycling bins, dumpsters, and parking lot.

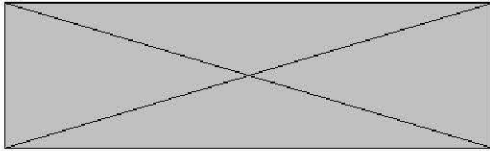
HOPE has cleaned the sidewalks but within 8 hours inevitably a new encampment of trash will block public Access.
Eliminating this trash problem will save resources and ensure our public safety. Thanks again for your help in this matter.

Respectfully



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Sincerely,



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